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Important Monthly Indicators

INDUSTRIAL:	JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	DEC. 1956
Anthracite Production (net tons)....*	2,024	2,712	2,316
Bituminous Coal Prod. (net tons)....*	43,700	45,505	38,850
Construction Contracts (\$).*	2,299,551	2,221,074	N. A.
Copper Production ref. (net tons)....*	139,150	123,978	129,839
Copper Deliveries ref. (net tons)....*	119,925	130,542	99,594
Industrial Production (FBB)....1947-49=100	125.0	143.0	144.0
Mfg. Employment (BLS)....1947-49=100	100.0	107.2	107.7
Mfg. Payrolls (BLS)....1947-49=100	165.1	159.1	170.9
Newsprint Production (net tons)....*	716,215	662,788	653,382
Pig Iron Production (net tons)....*	675,492	462,814	690,072
Print Shipments (net tons)....*	7,282	5,050	7,335
Rayon Yarn Deliveries (pounds)....	71,700	78,000	59,500
Rubber Consumption (long tons)....	140,090	133,335	118,505
Steel Ingot Production (net tons)....*	11,201	10,828	10,833
Zinc Production (net tons)....*	93,452	90,313	98,234
Zinc Shipments (net tons)....*	67,273	87,723	80,762
DEC.	DEC.	NOV.	
1956	1955	1956	
Coke Production (net tons)....*	6,836	6,882	6,533
Cotton Consumption (bales)....*	631,507	852,135	880,549
Electricity Production (kw-hours)....*	60,055	57,986	57,820
Lead Production prim. (net tons)....*	54,062	50,448	50,744
Lead Shipments prim. (net tons)....*	44,191	48,171	47,349
Motor Vehicles, Factory Sales (units)....	700,740	799,109	667,187
Tires - Production (units)....*	8,556	8,478	7,641
Tires - Shipments (units)....*	7,548	7,515	7,518
Wool Consumption (pounds)....*	N. A.	35,500	33,800
NOV.	NOV.	OCT.	
1956	1955	1956	
Cement Production (barrels)....*	25,974	24,894	29,051
Cement Shipments (barrels)....*	22,705	21,682	31,354
Cigarette Production (units)....*	33,585	32,644	37,193
Gasoline Production (barrels)....*	117,398	116,009	116,953
Petroleum Production (barrels)....*	214,174	210,406	215,936
Petroleum Consumption (barrels)....*	240,944	230,758	235,842

FINANCIAL:	JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	DEC. 1956
Bank Debts, Total U. S. (\$).†	204,293	187,364	201,875
Bank Debts, N. Y. C. (\$).†	76,460	69,675	77,495
Bank Debts, Outside N.Y.C. (\$).†	127,833	117,678	124,380
Bond Sales, N.Y. Stock Ex. (\$).*	94,060	94,044	124,985
Bond Sales, Am. Stock Ex. (\$).*	1,430	1,680	1,640
Bond Sales, Municipal (\$).*	637,039	406,800	427,299
Fire Losses (\$).†	115,272	96,972	96,485
Life Insurance Sales (\$).†	4,269	3,726	7,062
Stock Sales N.Y. Stock Ex. (shares)....†	46,161	47,197	46,422
Stock Sales Am. Stock Ex. (shares)....†	20,090	15,340	18,740
DEC.	DEC.	NOV.	
1956	1955	1956	
Merchandise Exports U. S. (\$).*	1,981,000	1,396,000	1,508,000
Merchandise Imports U. S. (\$).*	1,023,000	1,008,000	982,000
Railway Earnings, Gross (\$).*	871,049	861,251	887,601
Railway Earnings, Net Op. Inc. (\$).*	85,813	77,786	87,760
Retail Sales (\$).†	19,532	19,258	16,639
Wholesale Sales (\$).†	10,570	10,180	11,160
Manufacturing Sales (\$).†	28,967	28,747	28,747
Retail Inventories (\$).†	22,360	22,440	24,750
Wholesale Inventories (\$).†	13,310	12,290	13,040
Manufacturing Inventories (\$).†	51,633	46,123	50,979
(*) 000 Omitted. (†) 000,000 Omitted.			

Summary of Bank Clearings—Monthly—1954 to Date

(Millions of dollars)

	Total 26 United States Cities				New York City				Total 25 Cities Excluding N. Y. C.			
	1957	1956	1955	1954	1957	1956	1955	1954	1957	1956	1955	1954
January.....	103,253	96,104	87,462	80,946	51,411	47,789	45,004	42,599	51,842	48,314	42,458	38,347
February.....	82,475	80,589	76,130	.....	39,550	42,646	40,866	.....	42,825	37,943	35,264
March.....	95,714	95,249	90,883	.....	49,167	49,403	47,723	.....	46,568	45,846	43,160
April.....	90,069	83,519	82,615	.....	45,103	41,632	43,777	.....	46,035	41,887	39,378
May.....	96,905	90,047	79,711	.....	48,884	42,990	43,435	.....	48,020	43,946	37,716
June.....	96,069	91,066	89,211	.....	48,987	46,545	47,566	.....	47,082	45,421	41,645
July.....	94,463	83,362	82,729	.....	46,341	41,017	44,207	.....	46,245	40,245	39,502
August.....	93,323	86,995	82,817	.....	45,442	41,453	43,345	.....	47,882	45,543	39,472
September.....	85,266	86,612	80,283	.....	41,832	42,020	40,710	.....	43,434	44,592	39,573
October.....	100,190	90,642	83,176	.....	48,711	44,905	43,134	.....	51,479	45,737	40,042
November.....	93,716	88,603	84,476	.....	45,898	43,333	43,079	.....	47,818	45,270	41,397
December.....	100,171	97,510	98,823	.....	51,523	50,787	52,928	.....	48,648	46,724	45,895
Total.....	1,125,383	1,058,596	1,013,060	.....	559,157	530,883	532,029	.....	566,226	527,712	481,031

Summary of Industrial and Commercial Failures—Monthly—1954 to Date

	Number of Failures			Current Liabilities (000 Omitted)			Total Liabilities (000 Omitted)					
	1957	1956	1954	1957	1956	1955	1954	1957	1956	1955	1954	
January.....	1,148	1,048	939	867	\$54,060	\$42,890	\$37,872	\$29,592	\$54,825	\$43,712	\$39,000	
February.....	1,024	877	926	.....	49,189	42,056	47,774	.....	49,436	42,194	47,909
March.....	1,170	1,038	1,102	.....	42,622	41,209	57,280	.....	43,843	41,289	57,746
April.....	985	903	975	.....	41,871	35,968	42,512	.....	42,666	36,299	43,160
May.....	1,164	955	943	.....	59,901	34,714	38,494	.....	60,334	34,840	39,069
June.....	1,105	914	965	.....	43,133	36,647	31,133	.....	43,200	37,711	36,615
July.....	1,018	886	912	.....	48,689	32,243	32,230	.....	48,713	32,706	30,725
August.....	1,010	888	912	.....	35,040	36,028	32,582	.....	55,363	32,425	32,712
September.....	932	822	819	.....	39,313	33,120	36,381	.....	39,820	33,348	37,757
October.....	1,158	919	871	.....	50,004	34,777	29,000	.....	50,343	34,777	29,308
November.....	999	945	933	.....	39,886	42,783	35,067	.....	40,285	43,073	36,780
December.....	982	908	917	.....	50,279	41,643	40,103	.....	50,258	42,008	40,925
Total.....	12,686	10,969	11,086	.....	\$562,697	\$449,380	\$462,628	.....	\$568,166	\$453,130	\$465,611

United States Wholesale Commodity Price Index

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

INDEX OF WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES (REVISED) 1847-49=100

Group:	JAN. 1957	DEC. 1956	NOV. 1956	JAN. 1956
ALL COMMODITIES.....	116.9	116.2	115.9	111.9
Farm Products.....	89.3	88.9	87.9	84.1
Processed Foods.....	104.3	103.1	103.6	98.3
All Commodities Other Than Farm Products and Foods.....	125.2	124.7	124.2	120.4
Textile Products and Apparel.....	95.8	95.0	95.4	95.7
Hides, Skins and Leather Products.....	99.4	99.2	99.8	99.7
Fuel, Power and Lighting Materials.....	115.9	114.0	111.2	111.0
Chemicals and Allied Products.....	108.7	108.3	108.2	106.3
Rubber and Rubber Products.....	144.0	147.9	140.9	146.4
Lumber and Wood Products.....	121.4	121.0	121.5	126.3
Pulp, Paper and Allied Products.....	128.6	128.0	127.8	124.8
Metals and Metal Products.....	152.4	152.3	152.1	145.1
Machinery and Motive Products.....	143.9	143.6	143.4	133.3
Furniture, Other Household Durables.....	121.8	121.2	121.1	118.0
Non-Metallic Minerals - Structural.....	131.9	131.3	131.2	127.0
Tobacco Mfrs. & Bottled Beverages.....	124.0	123.6	123.5	121.7
Miscellaneous.....	93.2	91.7	91.2	89.6

United States Consumer Price Index (Cost of Living)

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Revised Series: 1947-48 = 100

Group:	JAN. 1957	DEC. 1956	NOV. 1956	JAN. 1956
ALL ITEMS	118.2	118.0	117.8	114.6
Food.....	112.8	112.9	112.9	109.2
Housing.....	123.8	123.5	123.0	120.6
Apparel.....	106.4	107.0	107.0	104.1
Transportation.....	133.6	133.1	133.2	126.8
Medical Care.....	135.3	134.7	134.5	130.7
Personal Care.....	122.1	121.8	121.4	118.5
Reading and Recreation.....	109.9	109.3	109.0	107.3
Other Goods and Services.....	123.8	123.3	123.2	120.8

Dun & Bradstreet Wholesale Food Price Index—1955 to Date

1957	1956	1955			
Jan. 1.....	\$6.13	Jan. 3.....	\$5.95	Jan. 4.....	\$6.75
Jan. 8.....	6.10	Jan. 10.....	5.92	Jan. 11.....	6.24
Jan. 15.....	6.10	Jan. 17.....	5.92	Jan. 18.....	6.24
Jan. 22.....	6.14	Jan. 24.....	5.89	Jan. 25.....	6.88
Jan. 29.....	6.16	Jan. 31.....	5.95	Feb. 1.....	6.85
Feb. 5.....	6.13	Feb. 7.....	5.90	Feb. 8.....	6.77
Feb. 12.....	6.13	Feb. 14.....	5.94	Feb. 15.....	6.69
Feb. 19.....	6.12	Feb. 21.....	5.93	Feb. 22.....	6.65
Feb. 26.....	6.11	Feb. 28.....	5.95	Mar. 1.....	6.63
Mar. 5.....	Mar. 6.....	5.94	Mar. 8.....	6.55
Mar. 12.....	Mar. 13.....	5.96	Mar. 15.....	6.53
Mar. 19.....	Mar. 20.....	5.93	Mar. 22.....	6.55
Mar. 26.....	Mar. 27.....	5.89	Mar. 29.....	6.52
Apr. 2.....	Apr. 3.....	5.96	Apr. 5.....	6.49
Apr. 9.....	Apr. 10.....	5.96	Apr. 12.....	6.54
Apr. 16.....	Apr. 17.....	6.01	Apr. 19.....	6.52
Apr. 23.....	Apr. 24.....	6.04	Apr. 26.....	6.42
Apr. 30.....	May 1.....	6.04	May 3.....	6.48
May 7.....	May 8.....	6.03	May 10.....	6.39
May 14.....	May 15.....	6.04	May 17.....	6.37
May 21.....	May 22.....	6.11	May 24.....	6.74
May 28.....	May 29.....	6.11	May 31.....	6.33
June 4.....	June 5.....	6.18	June 7.....	6.39
June 11.....	June 12.....	6.14	June 14.....	6.51
June 18.....	June 19.....	6.09	June 21.....	6.49
June 25.....	June 26.....	6.03	June 28.....	6.42
July 2.....	July 3.....	6.05	July 5.....	6.33
July 9.....	July 10.....	6.05	July 12.....	6.26
July 16.....	July 17.....	6.01	July 19.....	6.17
July 23.....	July 24.....	6.08	July 26.....	6.17
July 30.....	July 31.....	6.08	Aug. 2.....	6.21
Aug. 6.....	Aug. 7.....	6.10	Aug. 9.....	5.24
Aug. 13.....	Aug. 14.....	6.08	Aug. 16.....	6.23
Aug. 20.....	Aug. 21.....	6.09	Aug. 23.....	6.21
Aug. 27.....	Aug. 28.....	6.04	Aug. 30.....	6.15
Sept. 3.....	Sept. 5.....	6.05	Sept. 6.....	6.19
Sept. 10.....	Sept. 11.....	6.07	Sept. 13.....	6.25
Sept. 17.....	Sept. 18.....	6.06	Sept. 20.....	6.25
Sept. 24.....	Sept. 25.....	6.08	Sept. 27.....	6.28
Oct. 1.....	Oct. 2.....	6.00	Oct. 4.....	6.17
Oct. 8.....	Oct. 9.....	5.97	Oct. 11.....	6.11
Oct. 15.....	Oct. 16.....	6.01	Oct. 18.....	6.08
Oct. 22.....	Oct. 23.....	5.97	Oct. 25.....	6.05
Oct. 29.....	Oct. 30.....	5.96	Nov. 1.....	6.02
Nov. 5.....	Nov. 6.....	5.95	Nov. 8.....	6.00
Nov. 12.....	Nov. 13.....	6.01	Nov. 15.....	6.04
Nov. 19.....	Nov. 20.....	6.10	Nov. 22.....	6.02
Nov. 26.....	Nov. 27.....	6.16	Nov. 29.....	5.99
Dec. 3.....	Dec. 4.....	6.14	Dec. 6.....	5.99
Dec. 10.....	Dec. 11.....	6.18	Dec. 13.....	5.95
Dec. 17.....	Dec. 18.....	6.15	Dec. 20.....	5.98
Dec. 24.....	Dec. 25.....	6.12	Dec. 27.....	5.97

Notes: The Wholesale Food Price Index represents the sum total of the price per pound of 31 foodstuffs in general use.

Daily Wholesale Price Index of 30 Basic Commodities

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United States and Foreign Wholesale Price Index Numbers

	BASE YEAR	DEC. 1956	NOV. 1956	OCT. 1956	SEPT. 1956	DEC. 1955
U. S. (B.L.S.)	1947-49	116.3	115.9	115.6	115.5	111.3
Canada	1935-39	228.1	226.5	227.1	227.4	221.5
Austria	1953	113.0	112.0	112.0	111.0	106.0
Costa Rica	1953	108.0	109.0	108.0	107.0	110.0
Denmark	1953	110.0	108.0	107.0	107.0	108.0
Finland	1953	107.0	107.0	104.0	103.0	98.0
France	1953	104.0	103.0	102.0	102.0	100.0
India	1953	109.0	109.0	106.0	107.0	94.0
Japan	1953	106.0	105.0	104.0	104.0	98.0
Norway	1953	112.0	111.0	110.0	110.0	103.0
Philippines	1953	98.0	96.0	95.0	98.0	92.0
		NOV. 1956	OCT. 1956	SEPT. 1956	AUG. 1956	NOV. 1955
Australia	1953	***	114.0	114.0	114.0	104.0
Belgium	1953	106.0	104.0	103.0	103.0	101.0
Bulgaria	1953	108.0	106.0	103.0	103.0	102.0
Cuba	1953	96.0	97.0	97.0	98.0	96.0
Dominican Republic	1953	97.0	94.0	94.0	97.0	96.0
Germany	1953	104.0	102.0	103.0	103.0	101.0
Greece	1953	132.0	129.0	129.0	129.0	123.0
Guatemala	1953	***	103.0	101.0	101.0	103.0
Italy	1953	103.0	102.0	101.0	101.0	102.0
Lebanon	1953	***	97.0	98.0	98.0	96.0
Mexico	1953	129.0	128.0	129.0	129.0	129.0
Morocco	1953	***	100.0	99.0	97.0	96.0
Netherlands	1953	***	105.0	104.0	104.0	102.0
Peru	1953	***	129.0	128.0	128.0	121.0
Portugal	1953	***	96.0	96.0	96.0	96.0
Spain	1953	***	116.0	114.0	113.0	107.0
Sweden	1953	109.0	109.0	108.0	109.0	106.0
Switzerland	1953	105.0	104.0	104.0	104.0	101.0
Turkey	1953	***	***	130.0	131.0	125.0
Union South Africa	1953	106.0	106.0	106.0	105.0	105.0
U. K. (Bds. of Tr.)	1953	109.0	107.0	108.0	107.0	106.0
Venezuela	1953	***	102.0	100.0	101.0	103.0

BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR 217 CITIES

January 1957 and 1956

The following table gives monthly building permit values by cities and by geographical regions. The figures represent estimated building costs under permits issued to prospective builders within the corporate limits of the cities enumerated. They include new residential and new non-residential buildings, as well as additions, alterations, and repairs. Land costs are not included. The data are compiled from reports furnished monthly to Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., by the building departments of the various cities.

	JANUARY 1957	JANUARY 1956	DECEMBER 1956		JANUARY 1957	JANUARY 1956	DECEMBER 1956
New England:				South Atlantics:			
Boston, Mass.....	\$1,489,900	\$3,150,931	\$832,200	Asheville, N. C.....	\$234,850	\$117,715	\$136,110
Bridgeport, Conn....	636,025	716,380	3,134,165	Atlanta, Ga.....	4,441,940	4,007,423	4,149,263
Bristol, Conn.....	158,315	397,100	265,449	Augusta, Ga.....	474,891	299,711	426,454
Brockton, Mass.....	62,800	412,920	203,250	Baltimore, Md.....	6,968,650	4,405,788	4,465,236
Cambridge, Mass.....	529,885	70,840	138,455	Charleston, S. C.....	217,305	160,023	100,829
Chester, Mass.....	15,500	73,060	31,390	Charlotte, N. C.....	1,195,028	2,189,972	910,489
Everett, Mass.....	150,530	59,660	38,586	Coral Gables, Fla....	1,031,870	955,947	667,785
Fall River, Mass.....	241,550	66,000	35,750	Greensboro, N. C.....	2,120,444	774,835	481,956
Fitchburg, Mass.....	314,300	57,200	189,600	Greenville, S. C.....	189,500	894,406	501,613
Greenwich, Conn.....	555,571	724,140	620,190	Jacksonville, Fla.....	2,155,505	2,467,889	1,757,039
Hartford, Conn.....	4,923,795	981,233	2,205,713	Lumberton, Va.....	386,000	494,955	423,145
Haverhill, Mass.....	531,875	22,475	63,850	Macomb, Ga.....	361,631	348,686	1,018,213
Holyoke, Mass.....	835,525	26,850	21,600	Miami, Fla.....	4,893,084	3,778,088	3,494,326
Lawrence, Mass.....	35,350	132,420	223,875	Miami Beach, Fla....	979,117	880,549	3,044,565
Lowell, Mass.....	66,710	105,250	138,145	Norfolk, Va.....	819,774	755,676	1,120,790
Lynn, Mass.....	230,700	200,300	226,100	Richmond, Va.....	1,334,485	1,473,964	5,391,104
Manchester, N. H.....	338,365	553,129	156,350	Roanoke, Va.....	515,858	1,402,733	1,247,819
Medford, Mass.....	32,500	92,110	72,000	Savannah, Ga.....	210,800	351,234	303,000
New Bedford, Mass.....	84,151	1,193,934	137,860	Tampa, Fla.....	4,472,315	3,315,586	2,229,654
New Britain, Conn....	159,300	279,650	299,500	Washington, D. C....	4,845,458	3,528,267	2,739,346
New Haven, Conn....	340,427	651,899	176,935	Winston Salem, N. C.	1,319,097	705,329	270,211
Newton, Mass.....	242,725	100,060	1,414,835				
Norwalk, Conn.....	742,275	390,970	421,980	Total So. Atlantic... \$39,121,588	\$33,361,776	\$34,875,947	
Portland, Me.....	162,450	191,940	176,201				
Providence, R. I.....	453,550	302,100	617,750				
Quincy, Mass.....	46,570	218,771	541,087				
Salem, Mass.....	219,700	101,770	62,750				
Somerville, Mass.....	63,435	24,225	16,915				
Springfield, Mass.....	820,770	3,091,206	536,491				
Stamford, Conn.....	1,301,955	1,173,750	606,010				
Watertown, Conn....	200,150	310,750	227,750				
West Hartford, Conn....	959,765	472,557	1,056,213				
Worcester, Mass.....	90,750	627,150	388,030				
Total New England... \$17,087,185	\$16,985,350	\$15,309,815					
Middle Atlantic:				East Central:			
Manhattan.....	\$14,328,159	\$31,610,298	\$1,670,800	Akron, Ohio.....	\$94,743	\$3,889,302	\$1,389,881
Manhattan.....	7,203,900	2,397,350	2,364,500	Bay City, Mich.....	179,551	216,948	382,706
Bronx.....	2,840,500	5,241,700	4,546,300	Berwyn, Ills.....	92,800	130,699	309,160
Bronx.....	1,331,450	455,480	393,350	Bluefield, W. Va....	26,200	11,745	18,475
Brooklyn.....	8,271,000	3,999,600	14,284,591	Canton, Ohio.....	845,729	284,940	105,525
Brooklyn.....	2,574,395	2,430,110	644,000	Chicago, Ills.....	24,878,734	25,869,385	20,492,899
Queens.....	12,667,490	13,329,381	19,680,100	Cincinnati, Ohio....	5,050,735	2,977,670	5,878,485
Queens.....	553,845	1,529,075	4,853,324	Clarkburg, W. Va....	21,640	44,706	9,400
Richmond.....	967,700	760,250	895,200	Cleveland, Ohio....	2,415,300	6,099,800	2,247,100
Richmond.....	44,500	40,705	23,350	Columbus, Ohio.....	2,620,450	2,059,950	5,002,575
Total N. Y. City... \$50,783,539	\$61,735,949	\$49,355,515	Dayton, Ohio.....	682,020	1,481,720	1,347,390	
(#) New York. (t) Alterations.			Detroit, Mich.....	5,522,409	8,288,264	4,690,799	
Albany, N. Y.....	\$953,496	395,595	\$425,181	East St. Louis, Ills....	79,993	29,600	112,600
Allentown, Pa.....	802,380	2,260,150	293,725	Evanston, Ills.....	340,500	1,089,008	787,100
Altoona, Pa.....	111,440	82,235	156,675	Evansville, Ind.....	143,740	122,110	96,385
Atlantic City, N. J.....	117,233	1,059,409	916,257	Flint, Mich.....	1,985,065	2,290,510	2,261,170
Auburn, N. Y.....	35,400	111,359	28,200	Fort Wayne, Ind....	1,227,322	1,500,356	532,179
Bayonne, N. J.....	235,940	94,875	116,500	Gary, Ind.....	972,200	778,450	2,722,780
Binghamton, N. Y.....	107,975	56,779	50,111	Grand Rapids, Mich....	303,575	407,070	547,535
Buffalo, N. Y.....	584,777	618,190	1,503,046	Green Bay, Wisc....	312,609	355,609	595,266
Camden, N. J.....	445,321	146,752	119,366	Hammond, Ind.....	607,337	1,354,106	2,891,047
East Orange, N. J.....	85,825	195,140	372,240	Huntington, W. Va....	258,950	195,612	148,850
Elizabeth, N. J.....	654,325	388,455	130,290	Indianapolis, Ind....	1,330,949	2,394,002	2,253,515
Elmira, N. Y.....	27,778	22,925	71,440	Lima, Ohio.....	191,381	692,975	837,365
Erie, Pa.....	480,950	395,210	792,150	Louisville, Ky.....	117,150	93,075	176,425
Harrisburg, Pa.....	492,831	307,407	768,090	Madison, Wisc.....	598,429	1,274,713	518,035
Jamesstown, N. Y.....	284,087	29,330	92,000	Milwaukee, Wisc....	341,100	301,410	520,100
Jersey City, N. J.....	7,444,927	223,350	462,969	Minneapolis, Minn....	5,201,281	4,858,957	4,550,584
Lancaster, Pa.....	61,500	108,473	95,477	Newark, Ohio.....	97,075	121,760	90,825
Mount Vernon, N. Y.....	59,763	830,204	81,184	Oak Park, Ills.....	2,237,030	113,520	218,078
Newark, N. J.....	1,778,425	3,973,535	2,367,275	Peoria, Ills.....	432,688	266,207	807,005
New Brunswick, N. J.....	88,835	87,900	235,900	Pontiac, Mich.....	262,410	484,083	75,414
New Rochelle, N. Y.....	133,848	542,072	768,658	Quincy, Ills.....	159,170	125,115	61,670
Niagara Falls, N. Y.....	687,745	604,390	1,014,598	Racine, Wisc.....	1,298,720	1,041,838	700,475
Philadelphia, Pa.....	7,411,080	6,894,320	5,123,940	Rockford, Ills.....	683,450	1,276,490	1,814,360
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	2,439,470	1,310,136	1,429,338	Regina, Mich.....	231,241	289,042	345,409
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.....	56,000	175,225	100,600	South Bend, Ind.....	955,945	618,406	517,871
Reading, Pa.....	317,018	228,653	154,191	Springfield, Ills....	73,900	163,654	297,820
Rochester, N. Y.....	693,975	333,670	750,804	Springfield, Ohio....	366,080	109,800	637,325
Schenectady, N. Y.....	1,209,123	110,951	29,960	Soulo, Wisc.....	37,889	165,485	38,245
Syracuse, N. Y.....	221,895	423,720	1,460,705	Terre Haute, Ind....	45,450	117,400	19,450
Troy, N. Y.....	481,80	1,047,350	471,380	Toledo, Ohio.....	1,177,950	831,560	1,082,570
Utica, N. Y.....	13,287	11,000	22,930	Waukegan, Ills....	293,310	708,280	1,274,661
Watertown, N. Y.....	29,495	49,000	51,535	Wheeling, W. Va....	371,252	438,726	804,649
White Plains, N. Y.....	260,100	103,815	1,585,000	Youngstown, Ohio....	910,033	1,645,989	653,713
Wilkes Barre, Pa.....	518,322	1,252,450	24,978	Zanesville, Ohio....	134,100	35,850	0,000
Williamsport, Pa.....	29,022	102,214	43,036				
Wilmington, Dela.....	317,842	193,701	16,285				
Yonkers, N. Y.....	1,271,390	553,437	1,469,489				
York, Pa.....	110,702	903,948	566,191				
Total Middle Atl.... \$31,430,002	\$88,111,540	\$73,991,725					
			Mobile, Ala.....	2,221,822	1,110,722	1,391,804	

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So. Cent. (Cont.)				Mountaint			
Montgomery, Ala....	\$826,581	\$1,108,997	\$519,415	Albuquerque, N. Mex....	\$2,900,905	\$4,276,488	\$1,524,188
Muskogee, Okla....	156,050	64,050	370,500	Billings, Mont....	75,400	120,000	133,100
Nashville, Tenn....	393,050	1,641,911	4,287,080	Boise, Idaho....	236,648	281,961	235,442
New Orleans, La....	9,284,740	8,059,778	4,338,333	Butte, Mont....	518,250	29,719	21,654
Oklahoma City, Okla....	1,793,085	2,904,833	1,330,864	Colorado Springs, Col....	749,665	1,665,278	683,515
Port Arthur, Texas....	476,085	351,519	277,046	Denver, Col....	4,486,150	8,722,403	8,863,370
San Angelo, Texas....	3,337,173	663,075	380,522	Great Falls, Mont....	297,421	386,606	98,331
San Antonio, Texas....	4,830,068	6,162,832	4,727,171	Ogden, Utah....	173,400	305,800	177,900
Shreveport, La....	1,205,097	2,035,544	2,671,909	Phoenix, Ariz....	1,467,850	1,171,256	1,758,629
Tulsa, Okla....	495,726	1,821,250	1,476,645	Pueblo, Col....	1,102,065	367,652	642,270
Waco, Texas....	602,623	1,032,400	812,191	Salt Lake City, Utah....	359,584	1,237,551	716,005
Wichita Falls, Texas....	1,049,940	633,614	444,364	Tucson, Ariz....	1,038,355	885,242	1,040,075
Total So. Central...	\$90,388,169	\$90,327,695	\$61,387,779	Total Mountain.....	\$13,405,693	\$19,455,956	\$15,900,479
West Centrals				Pacific			
Cedar Rapids, Iowa....	\$367,786	\$1,320,435	\$878,546	Bakersfield, Cal....	\$879,305	\$1,785,776	\$331,688
Davenport, Iowa....	574,015	234,610	1,123,959	Berkeley, Cal....	942,787	657,718	554,094
Des Moines, Iowa....	485,458	654,825	1,262,544	Beverly Hills, Cal....	876,860	548,406	664,436
Dubuque, Iowa....	494,560	291,915	211,516	Fresno, Cal....	900,212	1,080,495	960,245
Fargo, N. D....	139,873	37,725	192,403	Glendale, Cal....	1,209,822	2,577,114	1,475,515
Kansas City, Kas....	158,000	1,049,479	1,70,825	Long Beach, Cal....	4,422,110	2,471,040	16,172,540
Kansas City, Mo....	668,057	3,062,000	1,859,660	Los Angeles, Cal....	31,150,130	40,100,044	37,761,724
Lincoln, Nebr....	2,559,000	576,102	2,411,000	Oakland, Cal....	4,422,327	2,215,897	3,502,748
Minneapolis, Minn....	2,028,983	1,285,046	227,111	Pasadena, Cal....	1,105,573	1,553,659	983,600
Omaha, Nebr....	1,519,557	1,536,200	1,368,913	Portland, Ore....	4,852,555	3,499,560	2,529,680
St. Joseph, Mo....	130,100	93,000	1,161,623	Sacramento, Cal....	2,654,825	5,953,771	1,562,883
St. Louis, Mo....	3,572,160	1,627,223	233,519	San Diego, Cal....	14,092,635	3,999,674	11,437,305
St. Paul, Minn....	1,478,622	1,212,152	1,936,908	San Francisco, Cal....	5,086,441	9,608,039	4,204,228
Sioux City, Iowa....	88,900	268,700	161,250	San Jose, Cal....	3,729,444	3,470,165	2,444,173
Sioux Falls, S. D....	224,467	328,182	327,445	Seattle, Wash....	4,817,520	4,701,070	5,246,295
Topeka, Kas....	621,270	386,810	338,425	Spokane, Wash....	507,303	1,820,990	5,581,082
Wichita, Kas....	1,379,925	2,148,631	2,105,197	Stockton, Cal....	744,324	751,187	478,378
Total West Central...	\$16,699,709	\$16,227,585	\$17,593,663	Tacoma, Wash....	1,571,239	1,010,192	1,320,845
Total West Central...	\$16,699,709	\$16,227,585	\$17,593,663	Total Pacific.....	\$90,055,712	\$88,083,197	\$96,331,149
				Total 217 Cities....	\$415,994,396	\$431,357,658	\$386,355,828

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New England:				Auburn, N. Y....	\$3,561,641	\$2,122,832	\$1,847,084
Boston, Mass....	\$46,692,641	\$37,290,823	\$31,054,401	Bavon, N. Y....	1,627,415	1,976,507	1,612,174
Bridgewater, Conn....	19,225,648	11,393,096	8,677,803	Binghamton, N. Y....	3,053,996	4,488,269	3,849,250
Bristol, Conn....	6,165,039	4,617,629	4,638,151	Buffalo, N. Y....	37,619,428	25,870,537	21,187,705
Brockton, Mass....	11,018,333	7,246,519	4,482,891	Camden, N. J....	8,811,392	7,909,766	11,582,963
Cambridge, Mass....	7,449,589	11,181,653	4,011,301	East Orange, N. J....	6,051,387	3,103,165	4,206,784
Chelsea, Mass....	935,563	161,737	406,098	Elizabeth, N. J....	6,111,010	3,641,717	5,402,333
Everett, Mass....	1,298,724	3,399,990	1,675,231	Elmira, N. J....	1,591,914	3,583,202	3,638,968
Fall River, Mass....	3,682,492	2,087,772	1,970,702	Erie, Pa....	11,913,638	14,940,753	15,940,648
Fitchburg, Mass....	3,275,256	1,655,490	3,523,929	Harrisburg, Pa....	7,016,506	11,046,158	15,756,675
Greenwich, Conn....	14,571,477	16,317,525	14,196,802	Jamestown, N. Y....	2,843,579	5,631,744	2,782,712
Hartford, Conn....	17,840,135	30,241,969	15,295,702	Jersey City, N. J....	9,541,633	5,632,415	3,441,975
Haverhill, Mass....	1,793,544	2,269,270	1,231,575	Lancaster, Pa....	5,581,896	3,397,739	5,824,002
Holyoke, Mass....	10,024,790	2,618,025	1,686,775	Mount Vernon, N. Y....	4,482,758	5,077,016	3,002,256
Lawrence, Mass....	3,608,613	2,323,853	1,380,126	Newark, N. J....	24,925,941	13,411,409	27,571,260
Lowell, Mass....	4,622,859	5,654,510	3,749,550	New Brunswick, N. J....	3,068,518	6,416,462	2,174,914
Lynn, Mass....	4,440,399	3,570,560	4,107,748	New Rochelle, N. Y....	8,744,094	20,744,957	12,727,699
Manchester, N. H....	7,439,899	9,483,913	7,730,416	Niagara Falls, N. Y....	11,524,601	9,383,894	11,671,173
Medford, Mass....	1,651,059	1,998,063	1,779,615	Philadelphia, Pa....	133,910,293	147,171,090	137,508,800
New Bedford, Mass....	5,380,443	3,356,811	4,736,735	Pittsburgh, Pa....	34,640,588	55,029,015	34,255,692
New Britain, Conn....	6,458,925	7,205,230	4,919,705	Poughkeepsie, N. Y....	4,390,530	3,181,456	1,869,282
New Haven, Conn....	9,380,680	13,420,189	14,721,369	Reading, Pa....	7,567,983	6,468,320	5,038,055
Newton, Mass....	7,976,211	7,297,115	11,878,612	Rochester, N. Y....	15,270,526	20,062,422	16,709,091
Norwalk, Conn....	11,756,893	13,924,248	10,727,482	Schenectady, N. Y....	4,587,399	3,530,130	4,246,045
Portland, Me....	6,804,303	5,764,797	5,808,486	Scranton, Pa....	5,606,000	3,443,62	2,177,862
Providence, R. I....	15,702,650	8,078,900	4,951,900	Syracuse, N. Y....	19,545,258	18,411,750	16,226,069
Quincy, Mass....	4,364,734	6,233,901	4,837,218	Troy, N. Y....	1,955,772	1,633,741	1,390,311
Salem, Mass....	5,314,918	8,234,401	1,927,597	Utica, N. Y....	6,204,737	3,072,270	4,070,701
Somerville, Mass....	11,473,469	1,626,826	2,165,200	Waterford, N. Y....	2,036,819	1,375,392	1,725,285
Springfield, Mass....	13,736,118	14,972,177	14,642,561	White Plains, N. Y....	15,624,376	7,625,756	6,375,783
Stamford, Conn....	20,926,222	23,455,450	21,406,555	Wilkes Barre, Pa....	2,231,804	2,252,137	3,160,687
Waterbury, Conn....	11,133,035	8,237,184	6,974,867	Williamsport, Pa....	2,057,850	1,885,077	1,711,646
West Hartford, Conn....	20,704,311	15,517,502	16,086,051	Wilmington, Dela....	10,000,518	10,706,666	8,205,342
Worcester, Mass....	8,339,129	18,421,449	10,514,692	Yonkers, N. Y....	35,992,991	20,171,550	12,805,036
Total New England...	\$315,299,033	\$304,402,757	\$248,442,646	York, Pa....	2,384,392	2,790,734	3,503,198
Middle Atlantic:				Total Middle Atl....	\$1,356,167,668	\$1,157,696,405	\$981,736,204
Manhattan	\$411,323,765	\$268,203,825	\$154,957,891	South Atlantics			
Manhattan	37,597,102	32,346,825	43,468,738	Ashville, N. C....	\$6,041,489	\$3,397,658	\$3,564,877
Bronx	85,347,864	72,723,828	42,620,162	Atlanta, Ga....	59,328,645	76,564,008	87,541,690
Bronx	6,715,200	8,731,373	10,523,080	Augusta, Ga....	4,862,571	8,103,526	3,887,879
Brooklyn	117,696,107	94,759,290	100,371,788	Baltimore, Md....	76,773,172	104,728,190	89,122,612
Brooklyn	25,584,930	19,115,017	21,212,410	Charleston, S. C....	3,281,144	3,032,189	2,941,192
Queens	135,752,110	138,954,947	147,845,261	Charlotte, N. C....	25,939,684	26,300,152	22,104,406
Queens	20,030,566	12,838,362	13,529,379	Coral Gables, Fla....	11,059,881	14,135,207	16,453,854
Richmond	16,802,629	17,766,980	10,297,912	Greensboro, N. C....	13,601,882	11,276,971	11,082,050
Richmond	4,759,235	2,022,970	1,743,528	Jacksonville, Fla....	6,003,836	7,328,448	7,710,501
Total New York City. (Excl. New York.)	\$861,609,508	\$667,463,417	\$546,570,149	Lynchburg, Va....	18,310,454	24,767,773	41,208,690
Albany, N. Y....	\$11,479,309	\$15,395,892	\$6,999,500	Lynn, Mass....	8,863,432	11,874,336	8,894,483
Allentown, Pa....	13,602,025	12,735,298	9,175,735	Macon, Ga....	6,651,204	2,814,617	8,509,427
Allentown, Pa....	3,397,187	2,348,958	1,961,781	Miami, Fla....	52,512,931	48,818,033	49,019,186
Atlantic City, N. J.	4,160,297	1,631,458	2,437,649	Miami Beach, Fla....	18,820,006	23,536,015	18,445,930
				Norfolk, Va....	24,308,199	14,280,444	12,347,261

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South Atl. (Cont.)				South Cent. (Cont.)			
Richmond, Va.	\$28,774,652	\$23,696,748	\$32,108,929	Mobile, Ala.	\$16,987,724	\$14,688,447	\$13,523,010
Roanoke, Va.	20,199,872	14,493,958	11,029,917	Montgomery, Ala.	12,572,225	15,856,206	20,505,226
Savannah, Ga.	4,515,448	5,494,220	9,508,344	Muskogee, Okla.	3,802,575	1,058,684	897,763
Tampa, Fla.	47,295,417	49,269,566	40,944,437	Nashville, Tenn.	24,339,837	21,663,100	10,101,331
Washington, D. C.	60,160,495	67,604,047	55,687,881	New Orleans, La.	63,040,240	98,899,169	54,948,128
Winston-Salem, N. C.	15,962,853	11,476,239	12,506,227	Oklahoma City, Okla.	45,443,756	42,863,277	48,515,918
Total South Atl....	\$513,267,267	\$552,992,385	\$544,619,773	Port Arthur, Texas.	5,093,997	5,267,669	3,614,570
East Central:				San Angelo, Texas.	6,052,345	7,573,160	8,264,524
Akron, Ohio.	\$41,098,209	\$33,070,982	\$30,102,614	San Antonio, Texas.	60,199,675	59,250,190	58,380,580
Bay City, Mich.	5,343,326	4,760,714	4,144,332	Shreveport, La.	27,722,284	35,355,055	30,259,109
Berwyn, Ills.	4,025,906	7,432,272	4,559,386	Tulsa, Okla.	20,371,152	23,055,132	19,611,905
Bluefield, W. Va.	1,138,836	1,410,420	920,840	Waco, Texas.	16,381,304	14,510,127	14,586,133
Canton, Ohio.	8,307,061	7,583,918	6,595,394	Wichita Falls, Texas.	10,053,257	13,901,886	10,448,130
Chicago, Ills.	329,637,404	262,801,077	229,881,300	Total South Cent....	\$944,407,004	\$984,465,943	\$919,341,516
Cincinnati, Ohio.	60,641,175	57,644,290	53,772,510	West Central:			
Clerkburg, W. Va.	1,777,649	1,853,242	1,876,238	Cedar Rapids, Iowa.	\$20,885,024	\$15,739,897	\$11,976,598
Cleveland, Ohio.	88,776,000	78,633,300	62,255,000	Davenport, Iowa.	11,152,556	11,829,488	9,574,831
Columbus, Ohio.	60,701,415	50,154,380	44,813,590	Des Moines, Iowa.	27,252,635	30,474,723	21,716,408
Dayton, Ohio.	23,102,581	37,182,098	19,731,672	Dubuque, Iowa.	5,583,923	6,548,067	5,902,337
Detroit, Mich.	111,174,267	142,826,475	126,511,219	Duluth, Minn.	11,309,595	8,253,319	7,629,829
East St. Louis, Ills.	5,433,457	3,965,090	3,608,346	Fargo, N. D.	7,012,115	9,757,051	5,738,003
Evanson, Ills.	15,722,453	13,984,239	12,482,521	Kansas City, Kas.	8,233,657	10,553,539	12,397,828
Evansville, Ind.	7,684,474	5,616,312	6,188,972	Kansas City, Mo.	49,719,000	63,376,000	58,674,000
Fort Wayne, Ind.	29,445,455	34,121,275	32,243,220	Lincoln, Neb.	14,227,927	20,472,203	14,896,929
Gary, Ind....	16,241,951	14,826,187	18,777,323	Minneapolis, Minn.	34,971,545	44,728,918	36,944,405
Grand Rapids, Mich.	22,304,720	24,148,424	25,578,611	Omaha, Neb.	38,786,285	27,499,138	25,512,807
Green Bay Wis.	9,404,755	12,850,985	11,317,196	St. Joseph, Mo.	3,928,155	6,635,133	3,412,360
Hammond, Ind.	12,948,036	16,259,493	10,327,226	St. Louis, Mo.	38,055,750	51,271,889	60,683,304
Huntington, W. Va.	20,924,248	16,471,161	14,755,868	St. Paul, Minn.	41,387,670	39,172,554	37,943,484
Indianapolis, Ind.	5,488,486	5,752,641	7,374,449	Sioux City, Iowa.	5,573,957	6,742,245	5,850,349
Lensing, Mich.	50,360,248	35,082,640	40,475,751	Sioux Falls, S. D.	10,030,295	12,270,648	10,788,676
Lima, Ohio.	14,764,878	14,608,997	10,538,955	Topeka, Kas.	9,601,605	28,963,991	19,889,007
Louisville, Ky.	3,461,888	4,926,720	2,342,185	Wichita, Kas.	33,342,479	43,081,303	41,416,975
Madison, Wis.	33,295,189	32,449,181	27,562,580	Total West Central...	\$371,054,171	\$437,370,116	\$390,948,736
Milwaukee, Wis.	12,268,157	17,178,265	11,825,888	Mountains:			
Newark, Ohio.	102,748,068	85,324,160	102,241,364	Albuquerque, N. M.	\$28,011,788	\$41,843,616	\$33,881,853
Oak Park, Ills.	4,740,978	5,197,403	3,413,290	Billings, Mont.	8,613,380	7,962,840	8,895,720
Peoria, Ills.	3,885,011	3,295,209	4,073,944	Boise, Idaho.	4,743,508	6,235,125	5,393,835
Pontiac, Mich.	11,089,949	13,432,684	7,101,166	Butte, Mont.	1,253,203	1,127,361	1,230,294
Quincy, Ills.	7,829,876	9,469,793	9,471,793	Colorado Springs, Col.	21,097,796	22,663,232	13,501,181
Recife, Wis.	3,885,944	6,908,084	3,040,037	Denver, Col.	102,121,565	99,853,296	100,569,348
Rockford, Ills.	12,922,209	12,236,254	9,562,118	Great Falls, Mont....	7,747,695	7,233,193	4,511,074
Seguin, Mich.	21,063,740	19,197,267	15,202,695	Idaho Falls, Mont.	9,091,000	10,722,975	8,580,700
South Bend, Ind.	8,559,212	8,680,040	10,049,349	Odgen, Utah.	35,415,918	22,059,150	18,141,104
Springfield, Ills.	19,467,170	17,488,459	15,016,586	Pueblo, Col.	9,566,633	18,525,670	7,970,876
Springfield, Ohio.	11,124,456	14,278,400	13,001,700	Salt Lake City, U.	26,108,411	21,466,617	18,184,616
Superior, Wis.	4,471,220	4,278,985	2,524,003	Tucson, Ariz.	24,118,416	12,027,001	8,184,616
Terr. Haute, Ind....	2,642,209	1,234,140	1,738,797	Total Mountain.....	\$277,889,313	\$269,553,595	\$231,909,221
Toledo, Ohio.	2,530,133	3,362,140	3,086,124	Pacific:			
Ukiah, Calif.	18,735,870	23,890,795	15,602,631	Bakersfield, Cal....	\$17,604,972	\$11,230,124	\$27,113,320
Wheeling, W. Va.	13,046,788	8,494,027	11,521,195	Berkeley, Cal.	11,748,065	10,241,128	7,977,336
Youngstown, Ohio....	5,329,306	10,044,285	5,169,250	Beverly Hills, Cal.	15,206,282	9,840,168	9,923,871
Zanesville, Ohio....	20,462,027	18,394,139	16,207,065	Fresno, Cal.	15,874,615	28,443,716	22,429,659
	764,205	699,769	2,501,928	Glendale, Cal.	16,493,468	16,851,701	15,907,022
Total East Central....	\$1,274,017,528	\$1,194,183,351	\$1,071,810,748	Long Beach, Cal.	67,884,575	60,617,535	45,258,150
South Central:				Los Angeles, Cal.	484,992,749	433,455,885	408,671,889
Abilene, Texas.	\$21,815,208	\$20,299,962	\$14,734,424	Oakland, Cal.	39,348,791	30,565,091	22,981,733
Amarillo, Texas.	20,568,213	21,284,411	20,016,852	Pasadena, Cal.	21,366,424	23,568,653	17,114,177
Austin, Texas.	45,592,718	41,098,970	45,538,709	Portland, Ore.	45,106,070	46,808,340	50,525,755
Beaumont, Texas.	16,227,680	9,092,542	8,942,792	Sacramento, Cal.	35,462,170	26,422,799	27,759,174
Birmingham, Ala.	38,793,396	39,744,187	27,473,189	San Diego, Cal.	105,012,355	85,460,583	72,379,291
Chattanooga, Tenn.	11,981,613	7,480,880	10,631,970	San Francisco, Cal.	66,065,470	64,670,018	57,745,732
Dallas, Texas.	135,967,074	166,994,592	142,690,046	San Jose, Cal.	56,551,890	39,002,944	19,718,535
El Paso, Texas.	28,031,813	37,373,877	30,091,904	Seattle, Wash.	80,063,120	71,939,665	77,189,359
Fort Smith, Ark.	5,276,876	4,381,541	4,464,525	Spokane, Wash.	34,680,286	27,803,787	40,713,804
Fort Worth, Texas.	51,317,960	57,267,343	47,081,476	Stockton, Cal.	12,434,878	21,196,298	12,312,738
Galveston, Texas.	4,705,889	4,921,884	7,655,776	Tacoma, Wash.	18,974,657	14,013,982	17,732,185
Houston, Texas.	151,407,340	137,136,953	165,338,198	Total Pacific.....	\$1,144,782,837	\$1,022,132,417	\$953,445,718
Jackson, Miss.	13,662,807	13,754,310	20,567,610				
Knoxville, Tenn.	11,796,726	11,545,563	12,303,802				
Little Rock, Ark....	9,061,871	11,370,037	19,048,792				
Memphis, Tenn....	45,389,268	45,823,608	49,178,068				

BUILDING PERMIT VALUES FOR 217 CITIES—MONTHLY—1955 TO DATE

TOTAL UNITED STATES - 217 CITIES

NEW YORK CITY

OUTSIDE NEW YORK CITY - 216 CITIES

	1957	1956	1955	1957	1956	1955	1957	1956	1955
Jan...	\$415,994,396	\$431,357,658	\$406,628,525	\$50,783,539	\$61,735,949	\$49,423,105	\$365,210,857	\$369,621,709	\$357,205,420
Feb...	437,622,349	442,092,367	442,092,367	89,172,555	47,687,734	348,449,794	450,600,781	438,419,516	
Mar...	503,133,253	542,997,099	52,512,472	59,577,583	33,453,589	49,939,864	400,639,579	471,233,165	
Apr...	524,093,168	521,173,029	70,889,351	65,782,634	525,224,683	499,545,003	508,560,450	537,948,352	
May...	596,114,034	565,327,637	50,349,355	59,080,484	50,349,355	59,080,484	497,773,443	500,301,003	
June...	558,856,212	634,030,839	95,555,906	51,333,416	43,436,566	51,333,416	516,392,356	429,551,451	
July...	529,229,352	511,841,797	114,937,757	43,436,566	94,679,355	58,177,460	418,848,341	462,976,509	
Aug...	615,251,100	555,906,200	72,251,060	44,087,975	74,795,675	55,764,815	443,304,776	414,005,191	
Sept...	526,234,213	474,025,801	487,392,751	49,355,515	45,251,585	50,349,355	373,601,569	337,000,313	
Oct...	535,228,126	429,366,384	49,355,515	45,251,585	45,251,585	45,251,585	303,970,039	303,970,039	
Nov...	489,401,80c	349,091,618							
Dec...	380,355,826								
Total...	\$6,196,884,821	\$5,929,796,960		\$861,609,308	\$667,463,417			\$335,275,313	\$355,333,558

NEW BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHICAL REGIONS

	JAN. 1957	DEC. 1956	NOV. 1956	JAN. 1956	TWELVE MONTHS			
					1956	1955	1954	1953
NEW ENGLAND								
Maine.....	57	65	41	65	535	529	399	428
New Hampshire.....	40	46	34	48	476	435	390	357
Vermont.....	26	32	13	21	246	218	185	200
Massachusetts.....	457	526	293	379	4,202	4,125	3,763	3,587
Connecticut.....	282	155	143	209	2,344	2,230	1,898	1,745
Rhode Island.....	134	107	69	110	1,119	1,092	861	724
Total New England.....	996	931	593	832	8,922	8,629	7,516	7,041
MIDDLE ATLANTIC								
New York.....	2,935	1,871	2,059	3,040	27,211	28,149	25,591	22,652
New Jersey.....	966	637	660	877	8,839	8,386	7,276	6,651
Pennsylvania.....	442	315	307	425	4,622	4,437	3,963	3,539
Total Middle Atlantic.....	4,343	2,823	3,026	4,342	40,672	40,972	36,830	32,842
EAST NORTH CENTRAL								
Ohio.....	832	658	552	802	8,313	7,881	6,487	6,080
Indiana.....	273	171	149	186	2,211	2,182	1,832	1,721
Illinois.....	903	511	437	647	6,924	6,508	5,502	5,017
Michigan.....	394	289	262	395	4,385	4,530	4,042	3,159
Wisconsin.....	202	164	155	216	2,298	2,118	1,749	1,440
Total East North Central.....	2,004	1,793	1,555	2,246	24,131	23,219	19,612	17,417
WEST NORTH CENTRAL								
Minnesota.....	221	160	101	155	1,630	1,774	1,502	1,334
Iowa.....	100	72	58	69	766	748	570	490
Missouri.....	229	193	162	296	2,285	2,456	2,025	1,907
North Dakota.....	37	22	9	20	215	197	156	201
South Dakota.....	28	22	17	24	210	280	235	216
Nebraska.....	78	54	48	56	611	584	491	358
Kansas.....	97	75	54	87	811	1,028	790	574
Total West North Central.....	790	598	449	707	6,528	7,067	5,769	5,080
SOUTH ATLANTIC								
Maryland.....	238	134	212	198	2,573	2,627	2,299	2,069
Delaware.....	367	274	216	264	3,257	3,676	3,028	2,816
Virginia.....	151	171	137	233	2,157	1,930	1,741	1,593
West Virginia.....	109	56	38	97	719	719	659	606
North Carolina.....	184	103	114	174	1,765	1,813	1,508	1,406
South Carolina.....	62	61	48	114	928	881	757	672
Georgia.....	265	159	140	208	2,110	2,021	1,696	1,299
Florida.....	812	787	703	709	8,847	7,407	5,652	4,974
Total South Atlantic.....	2,188	1,745	1,008	1,997	22,356	21,074	17,340	15,435
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL								
Kentucky.....	132	99	65	121	1,163	1,222	841	708
Tennessee.....	167	134	99	147	1,475	1,503	1,299	1,181
Alabama.....	127	66	66	103	1,076	1,039	784	666
Mississippi.....	81	47	42	62	654	629	515	435
Total East South Central.....	507	340	272	433	4,368	4,393	3,439	2,990
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL								
Arkansas.....	77	75	49	74	710	559	402	434
Oklahoma.....	160	106	81	146	1,408	1,517	1,235	1,031
Louisiana.....	223	112	127	183	1,793	1,598	1,169	1,042
Texas.....	329	442	403	329	6,193	5,889	4,351	3,633
Total West South Central.....	789	735	660	732	10,104	9,563	7,157	6,140
MOUNTAIN								
Montana.....	53	22	26	15	337	391	341	297
Idaho.....	54	45	20	59	420	407	350	312
Wyoming.....	31	18	12	25	240	277	280	192
Colorado.....	203	137	123	143	1,755	2,011	1,465	938
New Mexico.....	50	45	38	29	452	480	364	323
Arizona.....	153	121	104	123	1,431	1,235	1,098	754
Utah.....	98	34	28	43	1,540	699	623	410
Nevada.....	83	79	57	80	1,008	1,507	1,062	869
Total Mountain.....	725	501	408	517	6,183	7,007	5,583	4,095
PACIFIC								
Washington.....	205	140	95	108	1,602	1,916	1,494	1,225
Oregon.....	164	101	68	108	1,110	1,168	892	834
California.....	1,321	1,069	1,015	1,281	14,799	14,643	11,532	9,446
Total Pacific.....	1,690	1,316	1,178	1,557	17,511	17,727	13,918	11,505
TOTAL 48 STATES.....	14,632	10,788	9,749	13,363	140,775	139,651	117,164	102,545

NEW BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS—48 STATES—MONTHLY—1947 to Date

	1957	1956	1955	1954	1953	1952	1951	1950	1949	1948	1947
January.....	14,632	13,363	13,181	9,543	9,468	8,357	8,515	9,070	7,906	11,000	12,112
February.....	12,503	11,369	8,533	7,943	7,138	6,590	7,736	6,362	7,873	9,111
March.....	12,922	13,417	10,514	9,659	7,902	7,649	9,180	7,637	9,346	10,247
April.....	12,475	11,756	10,272	9,507	8,284	7,653	8,375	7,273	9,223	9,802
May.....	13,142	12,029	9,280	8,968	7,915	7,544	9,216	7,445	8,246	9,179
June.....	11,952	12,605	9,748	8,926	7,819	6,810	8,861	7,260	8,550	8,922
July.....	11,513	10,893	9,409	8,703	7,549	6,428	7,191	6,424	7,690	9,041
August.....	11,339	10,983	9,041	7,487	7,088	6,496	7,201	6,828	6,723	8,055
September.....	9,583	11,024	9,256	7,433	7,599	5,950	6,277	6,867	6,930	8,561
October.....	11,546	10,698	9,852	8,267	8,233	6,812	6,782	6,877	6,686	9,609
November.....	9,749	10,157	9,735	7,269	6,741	6,289	6,256	6,755	6,413	7,873
December.....	10,788	11,539	11,981	8,915	8,274	6,913	6,780	7,857	7,421	10,126
Total.....	139,651	117,164	102,545	92,819	83,649	92,925	85,491	96,101	112,638

Failures by Divisions of Industry—January 1957, 1956, and 1955

	Number of Failures						Current Liabilities (Thousands of Dollars)						Number of Failures						Current Liabilities (Thousands of Dollars)					
	JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	JAN. 1955	JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	JAN. 1955	New England:			JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	JAN. 1955	JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	JAN. 1955	Middle Atlantic:			JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	JAN. 1955	Middle Atlantic:		
Mining & Manufacturing							0	2	4	1,530	114	198	Maine.....	2	3	4	19	23	59	Food & Kindred Products.....	3	57	120	
Mining—Coal, Oil, Misc.....	0	2	4	1,530	114	198	Maine.....	2	3	4	19	23	59	Food & Kindred Products.....	3	57	120							
Food & Kindred Products.....	13	16	20	1,599	883	1,067	New Hampshire.....	3	**	5	57	**	120	Textile Mill Prods & App'l.....	2	**	1	55	**	21				
Textile Mill Prods & App'l.....	53	56	46	2,517	2,487	2,401	Vermont.....	2	**	1	55	**	21	Lumber & Products.....	2	**	1	55	**	21				
Lumber & Products.....	34	30	23	2,592	1,204	676	Massachusetts.....	27	15	40	1,340	558	1,603	Paper, Printing & Pub.....	11	9	14	671	384	245				
Paper, Printing & Pub.....	11	9	14	607	250	769	Connecticut.....	17	9	14	671	384	245	Chemicals & Allied Prods.....	3	4	3	603	2,823	92				
Chemicals & Allied Prods.....	5	4	3	687	1,747	556	Rhode Island.....	20	19	10	603	2,823	92	Leather & Products.....	5	4	4	**	**	**				
Leather & Products.....	3	1	2	74	55	258	Total New England.....	71	46	74	2,755	3,788	2,150	Stone, Clay & Glass Prods.....	10	12	14	1,881	1,400					
Stone, Clay & Glass Prods.....	10	12	14	1,572	1,881	1,400	Middle Atlantic:							Iron, Steel & Products.....	19	24	17	1,852	1,066	1,536				
Iron, Steel & Products.....	19	24	17	1,852	1,066	1,536	New York.....	277	275	223	14,696	8,727	9,950	Machinery.....	6	6	0	482	858	539				
Machinery.....	6	6	0	482	858	539	New Jersey.....	57	54	43	4,803	2,804	1,529	Transportation Equipment.....	34	45	34	2,096	3,513	1,545				
Miscellaneous.....	34	45	34	2,096	3,513	1,545	Pennsylvania.....	70	59	63	4,035	2,005	3,528	Total Mining & Mfg.....	197	209	195	10,105	14,442	11,630				
Total Mining & Mfg.....	197	209	195	10,105	14,442	11,630	Total Middle Atlantic.....	404	388	329	23,534	13,536	12,007	Wholesale Trade:										
Food & Farm Products.....	18	30	30	1,248	1,072	1,098	East North Central:							Apparel.....	18	30	30	1,248	1,072	1,098				
Apparel.....	6	6	5	599	243	163	Ohio.....	45	29	31	2,977	1,026	633	Dry Goods.....	1	3	1	69	211	211				
Dry Goods.....	1	3	1	69	211	211	Indiana.....	10	10	9	243	168	1,378	Lumber, Bldg. Mtls., Hdw.....	12	10	12	563	394	394				
Lumber, Bldg. Mtls., Hdw.....	12	10	12	563	394	394	Illinois.....	40	37	30	1,113	3,308	680	Chemicals & Drugs.....	1	0	1	117	117	117				
Chemicals & Drugs.....	1	0	1	117	117	117	Michigan.....	45	32	15	1,917	1,963	427	Motor Vehicles & Auto Equip.....	7	4	4	355	94	94				
Motor Vehicles & Auto Equip.....	7	4	4	355	94	94	Wisconsin.....	17	25	23	481	664	517	Miscellaneous.....	40	47	54	2,275	1,805	2,444				
Miscellaneous.....	40	47	54	2,275	1,805	2,444	Total East No. Cent.....	163	133	108	6,731	7,189	3,635	Total Wholesale Trade.....	91	106	114	5,335	4,375	4,391				
Total Wholesale Trade.....	91	106	114	5,335	4,375	4,391	West North Central:							Retail Trade:										
Retail Trade:							Minnesota.....	15	12	9	441	302	542	Food & Liquor.....	101	85	83	1,650	1,130	1,580				
Food & Liquor.....	101	85	83	1,650	1,130	1,580	Iowa.....	2	11	4	39	456	65	General Merchandise.....	34	20	19	2,313	377	727				
General Merchandise.....	34	20	19	2,313	377	727	Michigan.....	11	11	7	511	71	266	Apparel & Accessories.....	140	106	92	2,559	1,793	1,792				
Apparel & Accessories.....	140	106	92	2,559	1,793	1,792	Illinois.....	40	37	30	1,113	3,308	680	Furn. Furniture, Furnishings, Lmbr., Bldg. Mtls., Hdw.....	36	38	35	3,708	2,641	1,451				
Furn. Furniture, Furnishings, Lmbr., Bldg. Mtls., Hdw.....	36	38	35	3,708	2,641	1,451	Wisconsin.....	17	25	23	481	664	517	Automobiles Group.....	59	63	41	2,434	4,702	853				
Automobiles Group.....	59	63	41	2,434	4,702	853	Total East No. Cent.....	163	133	108	6,731	7,189	3,635	Eating & Drinking Places.....	97	77	68	2,521	1,992	1,221				
Eating & Drinking Places.....	97	77	68	2,521	1,992	1,221	South Dakota.....	1	**	1	17	**	23	Drug Stores.....	14	9	11	1,032	115	198				
Drug Stores.....	14	9	11	1,032	115	198	Nebraska.....	0	**	1	127	172	13	Miscellaneous.....	49	60	63	771	1,057	1,234				
Miscellaneous.....	49	60	63	771	1,057	1,234	Kansas.....	0	4	1	741	204	38	Total Retail Trade.....	612	535	456	17,802	14,936	9,647				
Total Retail Trade.....	612	535	456	17,802	14,936	9,647	Construction:							South Atlantic:										
Construction:							Pass. & Freight Transp.....	17	16	22	649	720	1,233	Maryland.....	20	11	11	1,000	593	289				
Pass. & Freight Transp.....	17	16	22	649	720	1,233	Delaware.....	**	**	4	194	56	56	Misc. Public Service.....	2	1	3	379	124	124				
Misc. Public Service.....	2	1	3	379	124	124	Dist. of Columbia.....	5	1	4	367	109	190	Hotels.....	3	7	5	41	677	677				
Hotels.....	3	7	5	41	677	677	Virginia.....	11	5	3	367	109	190	Cleaning-Dyng—Repairing.....	8	11	10	119	119	227				
Cleaning-Dyng—Repairing.....	8	11	10	119	119	227	West Virginia.....	7	3	3	240	92	80	Landl. Services.....	4	4	6	929	161	279				
Landl. Services.....	4	4	6	929	161	279	North Carolina.....	4	10	5	315	231	202	Under-Takers.....	1	**	10	**	**	**				
Under-Takers.....	1	**	10	**	**	**	South Carolina.....	11	4	11	117	142	142	Other Personal Services.....	6	6	9	52	48	75				
Other Personal Services.....	6	6	9	52	48	75	Georgia.....	11	11	17	585	369	344	Business & Repair Services.....	30	27	32	1,594	445	539				
Business & Repair Services.....	30	27	32	1,594	445	539	Florida.....	32	37	23	534	858	1,560	Total Commercial Service.....	71	72	87	4,080	2,974	2,154				
Total Commercial Service.....	71	72	87	4,080	2,974	2,154	Total South Atlantic.....	101	86	77	4,018	2,450	9,000	TOTAL UNITED STATES.....	1,148	1,048	939	54,060	42,690	37,872				

Failures in Large Cities—January 1957, 1956, and 1955

Cities (1940 Population Ranking)	Number of Failures						Current Liabilities (Thousands of Dollars)						Number of Failures						Current Liabilities (Thousands of Dollars)								
	JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	JAN. 1955	JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	JAN. 1955	JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	JAN. 1955	JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	JAN. 1955	JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	JAN. 1955	JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	JAN. 1955	JAN. 1957	JAN. 1956	JAN. 1955						
New York, N. Y.....	177	208	177	8,804	6,175	5,538	Montana.....	3	4	**	82	8	**	Idaho.....	1	4	**	153	**	**	Chicago, Ills.....	31	23	26	755	2,070	642
Chicago, Ills.....	31	23	26	755	2,070	642	Wyoming.....	1	**	1	7	**	10	Colorado.....	18	9	2	1,071	284	26	Philadelphia, Pa.....	31	20	20	680	505	526
Philadelphia, Pa.....	31	20	20	680	505	526	New Mexico.....	**	1	**	1	**	1	Arizona.....	9	5	15	254	368	381	Detroit, Mich.....	20	14	4	613	506	133
Detroit, Mich.....	20	14	4	613	506	133	Utah.....	5	6	8	307	143	1,124	Los Angeles, Cal.....	28	31	40	1,939	857	1,491							
Los Angeles, Cal.....	28	31	40	1,939	857	1,491	Nevada.....	3	8	1	121	1,007	15	Cleveland, Ohio.....	12	7	6	355	230	158							
Cleveland, Ohio.....	12	7	6	355	230	158	Total Mountain.....	40	37	27	1,846	1,964	1,556	Baltimore, Md.....	13	5	9	1,414	126	118							
Baltimore, Md.....	13	5	9	1,414	126	118	Pacific:							St. Louis, Mo.....	4	4	11	119	118	31							
St. Louis, Mo.....	4	4	11	119	118	Washington.....	37	19	15	1,003	908	444	Boston, Mass.....	7	4	1	194	51	60								
Boston, Mass.....	7	4	1	194	51	60	Oregon.....	36	13	8	421	400	160	Newark, N. J.....	7	4	10	167	62	147							
Newark, N. J.....	7	4	10	167	62	147	California.....	158	200	223	5,464	5,246	5,392	Cincinnati, Ohio.....	5	4	4	147	147	147							
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	5	4	4	147	147	147	Total Pacific.....	231	232	246	8,375	6,762	6,996	St. Paul, Minn.....	9	6	1	147	147	147							
St. Paul, Minn.....	9	6	1	147	147	147	TOTAL UNITED STATES.....	1,148	1,048	939	54,060	42,690	37,872	Minneapolis, Minn.....	8	7	5	296	286	156							
Minneapolis, Minn.....	8	7	5	296	286	156	Seattle, Wash.....	10	7	4	336	159	63	Cleveland, Ohio.....	13	11	10	1,401	554	554							
Seattle, Wash.....	10	7	4	336	159	63	Newark, N. J.....	7	2	1	845	183	20	St. Louis, Mo.....	5	3	**	334	144	144							
Newark, N. J.....	7	2	1	845	183	20	Total 25 Cities.....	437	415	374	22,564	16,000	17,424	Philadelphia, Pa.....	6	2	3	147	147	147							
Total 25 Cities.....	437	415	374	22,564	16,000	17,424	Balance of Country.....	711	633	505	31,490	26,890	20,438	Montreal, Que.....	**	**	**	365	**	**							
Balance of Country.....	711	633	505	31,490	26,890																						

Failures by Industrial Groups and Size of Liabilities—January 1957, 1956, and 1955

(Liabilities in thousands of dollars)

	JANUARY 1957				JANUARY 1956				JANUARY 1955			
	Number	Per Cent	Current Liab.	Total Liab.	Number	Per Cent	Current Liab.	Total Liab.	Number	Per Cent	Current Liab.	Total Liab.
MANUFACTURING.....	197	100.0	16,105	16,201	209	100.0	14,442	15,007	195	100.0	11,636	12,070
Under \$5,000.....	12	6.1	37	37	26	12.5	73	73	13	6.7	46	46
\$5,000 to \$25,000.....	80	40.6	910	910	77	36.8	943	943	79	40.5	1,052	1,052
\$25,000 to \$100,000.....	61	31.0	2,800	2,800	76	36.4	3,643	3,643	73	37.4	3,672	3,672
\$100,000 to \$1,000,000.....	43	21.8	11,058	11,154	27	12.9	4,799	4,799	29	14.9	5,900	5,928
\$1,000,000 and Over.....	1	0.5	1,300	1,300*	3	1.4	4,984	5,549	1	0.5	900	1,022
WHOLESALE TRADE.....	91	100.0	5,335	5,355	106	100.0	4,375	4,375	114	100.0	4,391	4,391
Under \$5,000.....	9	9.9	22	22	8	7.5	27	27	9	7.9	24	24
\$5,000 to \$25,000.....	28	30.8	347	347	43	40.6	550	550	61	53.5	885	885
\$25,000 to \$100,000.....	38	41.8	1,910	1,910	48	45.3	2,203	2,203	38	33.3	1,620	1,620
\$100,000 to \$1,000,000.....	16	17.5	3,050	3,076	7	6.6	1,595	1,595	5	4.4	841	841
\$1,000,000 and Over.....	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	1	0.9	1,015	1,015
RETAIL TRADE.....	612	100.0	17,862	18,511	535	100.0	14,936	15,008	456	100.0	9,647	10,280
Under \$5,000.....	118	19.3	320	320	114	21.3	310	310	75	16.4	220	220
\$5,000 to \$25,000.....	331	54.1	3,952	3,952	283	52.9	3,514	3,514	275	60.3	3,313	3,313
\$25,000 to \$100,000.....	133	21.7	5,880	5,880	120	22.4	5,006	5,006	96	21.1	4,386	4,386
\$100,000 to \$1,000,000.....	30	4.9	7,710	8,359	17	3.2	3,040	3,172	10	2.2	1,728	2,367
\$1,000,000 and Over.....	**	**	**	**	1	0.2	3,000	3,000	**	**	**	**
CONSTRUCTION.....	177	100.0	10,672	10,672	126	100.0	6,163	6,288	87	100.0	9,044	9,099
Under \$5,000.....	17	9.6	43	43	13	10.3	31	31	16	18.4	50	50
\$5,000 to \$25,000.....	67	37.9	817	817	50	39.7	651	651	34	39.1	402	402
\$25,000 to \$100,000.....	65	36.7	3,119	3,119	48	38.1	2,416	2,416	23	26.4	980	980
\$100,000 to \$1,000,000.....	28	15.8	6,693	6,693	15	11.9	3,065	3,190	12	13.8	1,822	1,877
\$1,000,000 and Over.....	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	2	2.3	5,730	5,730
COMMERCIAL SERVICE.....	71	100.0	4,086	4,086	72	100.0	2,974	2,974	87	100.0	3,154	3,154
Under \$5,000.....	17	23.9	49	49	17	23.6	51	51	20	23.0	48	48
\$5,000 to \$25,000.....	37	52.1	438	438	37	51.4	443	443	35	40.2	448	448
\$25,000 to \$100,000.....	9	12.7	379	379	11	15.3	542	542	26	29.9	1,278	1,278
\$100,000 to \$1,000,000.....	7	9.9	1,956	1,956	7	9.7	1,938	1,938	6	6.9	1,380	1,380
\$1,000,000 and Over.....	1	1.4	1,264	1,264	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
TOTAL UNITED STATES.....	1,148	100.0	54,060	54,825	1,048	100.0	42,890	43,712	939	100.0	37,872	39,000
Under \$5,000.....	173	15.0	471	471	178	17.0	498	498	133	14.2	388	388
\$5,000 to \$25,000.....	543	47.3	6,464	6,464	490	46.7	6,101	6,101	484	51.5	6,160	6,160
\$25,000 to \$100,000.....	306	26.7	14,088	14,088	303	28.9	13,870	13,870	256	27.3	11,942	11,942
\$100,000 to \$1,000,000.....	124	10.8	30,473	31,238	73	7.0	14,437	14,694	62	6.6	11,737	12,743
\$1,000,000 and Over.....	2	0.2	2,564	2,564	4	0.4	7,984	8,549	4	0.4	7,645	7,767

Failures by Federal Reserve Districts by Divisions of Industry—January 1957

(Liabilities in thousands of dollars)

District:	MANUFACTURING		WHOLESALE TRADE		RETAIL TRADE		CONSTRUCTION		COMMERCIAL SERVICE		TOTAL UNITED STATES	
	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.	No.	Current Liab.
Boston.....(1).....	11	665	5	423	37	1,241	11	317	2	10	66	2,655
New York.....(2).....	84	6,294	25	1,598	154	4,900	43	3,893	18	1,228	324	17,913
Philadelphia.....(3).....	14	422	5	245	31	1,113	16	1,060	4	25	70	2,865
Cleveland.....(4).....	4	1,749	9	425	36	1,868	10	526	3	1,291	62	5,859
Richmond.....(5).....	7	1,373	3	126	37	695	9	328	2	352	57	2,874
Atlanta.....(6).....	10	497	6	234	42	768	18	747	4	118	80	2,364
Chicago.....(7).....	13	1,083	10	839	71	1,365	13	315	8	102	115	3,704
St. Louis.....(8).....	2	29	3	335	9	163	3	192	**	**	17	719
Minneapolis.....(9).....	2	63	1	1	14	265	1	54	5	237	23	620
Kansas City.....(10).....	8	1,501	5	187	19	685	10	295	2	29	44	2,697
Dallas.....(11).....	4	1,025	2	63	26	568	9	888	2	265	43	2,749
San Francisco.....(12).....	36	1,404	17	859	136	4,231	35	2,057	21	489	247	9,040
Total United States.....	197	16,105	91	5,335	612	17,862	177	10,672	71	4,086	1,148	54,060

Dun's Failure Index

(Apparent Annual Number of Failures per 10,000 Enterprises)

	Unadjusted Index				Adjusted Index*			
	1957	1956	1955	1954	1957	1956	1955	1954
January.....	50.4	47.9	42.9	39.4	48.0	46.1	40.9	36.8
February.....	***	50.9	45.6	47.9	***	43.5	38.6	40.9
March.....	***	49.5	44.0	46.7	***	46.4	31.1	43.6
April.....	45.2	39.7	42.9	42.9	***	42.2	36.8	39.7
May.....	51.3	43.7	43.1	41.1	***	48.9	41.6	41.0
June.....	48.7	40.2	42.5	42.5	***	49.2	40.6	42.9
July.....	46.4	39.1	37.6	40.1	***	49.9	42.0	40.4
August.....	46.5	37.4	40.1	40.1	***	51.7	41.6	44.1
September.....	44.2	37.5	37.5	39.9	***	51.4	43.6	41.1
October.....	50.6	41.9	39.9	39.9	***	53.3	44.6	42.4
November.....	49.5	46.8	46.4	46.4	***	48.5	46.3	46.4
December.....	***	44.8	39.8	40.3	***	47.2	42.3	48.9
Mo. Average.....	50.4	48.0	41.6	42.0	***	48.5	46.3	46.4

(*) Adjusted for seasonal variation.

DEFINITIONS

BUSINESS FAILURES include those businesses that ceased operations following assignment or bankruptcy; ceased with loss to creditors after such actions as execution, foreclosure, or attachment; voluntarily withdrew leaving unpaid obligations; were involved in court actions such as receivership, reorganization or arrangement; or voluntarily compromised with creditors out of court.

CURRENT LIABILITIES, as used in the failure Record, have a special meaning; they include all notes and accounts payable and all obligations, whether in secured form or not, known to be held by banks, officers, affiliated companies, supplying companies, or the Government. They do not include long-term, publicly-held obligations. Offsetting assets are not taken into account.

Failures by Industrial Groups—Monthly—1955 to Date

<u>1955</u>	Total Number	Mining & Mfg.	% of Total	Wholesale Trade	% of Total	Retail Trade	% of Total	Construction	% of Total	Commercial Service	% of Total
January.....	939	195	20.8	114	12.1	456	46.5	87	9.3	87	9.3
February.....	877	188	21.4	104	11.9	412	47.0	113	12.9	60	6.8
March.....	1,038	225	21.7	119	11.5	520	50.1	108	10.4	66	6.3
April.....	903	154	17.1	93	10.3	484	53.6	106	11.7	66	7.3
May.....	955	168	17.6	87	9.1	499	52.2	121	12.7	80	8.4
June.....	914	200	21.9	79	8.6	446	48.8	114	12.5	75	8.2
July.....	861	179	20.8	89	10.3	403	49.1	102	11.9	68	7.9
August.....	888	158	17.8	107	12.1	430	48.4	134	15.1	59	6.6
September.....	822	168	20.5	99	12.0	366	44.5	114	13.9	75	9.1
October.....	919	180	19.6	85	9.2	437	47.6	136	14.8	61	8.8
November.....	945	196	20.7	84	8.9	462	48.9	133	14.1	70	7.4
December.....	908	191	21.0	104	11.5	404	44.5	136	15.0	73	8.0
Total Year.....	10,969	2,202	20.1	1,164	10.6	5,339	48.7	1,404	12.8	860	7.8

<u>1956</u>	Total Number	Mining & Mfg.	% of Total	Wholesale Trade	% of Total	Retail Trade	% of Total	Construction	% of Total	Commercial Service	% of Total
January.....	1,048	209	19.9	106	10.1	535	51.1	126	12.0	72	6.9
February.....	1,024	202	19.7	108	10.5	511	49.9	141	13.8	62	6.1
March.....	1,170	224	19.2	122	10.4	572	48.9	150	12.8	102	8.7
April.....	985	186	18.9	92	9.4	463	47.0	153	15.5	91	9.2
May.....	1,164	245	21.1	118	10.1	575	49.4	132	11.3	94	8.1
June.....	1,105	183	16.5	115	10.4	551	49.9	163	14.8	93	8.4
July.....	1,018	165	16.2	85	8.4	540	53.0	141	13.9	87	8.5
August.....	1,101	195	17.7	98	8.9	567	51.5	146	13.3	95	8.6
September.....	932	140	15.0	85	9.1	489	52.5	146	15.7	72	7.7
October.....	1,158	198	17.1	112	9.7	584	50.4	182	15.7	82	7.1
November.....	999	166	16.6	94	9.4	482	48.3	171	17.1	86	8.6
December.....	982	172	17.5	72	7.3	472	48.1	183	18.6	83	8.5
Total Year.....	12,686	2,285	18.0	1,207	9.5	6,341	50.0	1,834	14.5	1,019	8.0

<u>1957</u>	Total Number	Mining & Mfg.	% of Total	Wholesale Trade	% of Total	Retail Trade	% of Total	Construction	% of Total	Commercial Service	% of Total
January.....	1,148	197	17.2	91	7.9	612	53.3	177	15.4	71	6.2
February.....
March.....
April.....
May.....
June.....
July.....
August.....
September.....
October.....
November.....
December.....
Total Year.....

Failures by Size of Liabilities—Monthly—1955 to Date

<u>1955</u>	Total Number	Under \$5,000	% of Total	\$5,000 to \$25,000	% of Total	\$25,000 to \$100,000	% of Total	\$100,000 to \$1,000,000	% of Total	\$1,000,000 and Over	% of Total
January.....	939	133	14.2	484	51.5	256	27.3	62	6.6	4	0.4
February.....	877	108	12.3	453	51.7	242	27.6	70	8.0	4	0.4
March.....	1,038	161	15.5	521	50.2	270	26.0	83	8.0	3	0.3
April.....	903	159	17.6	469	52.0	216	23.9	56	6.2	3	0.3
May.....	955	163	17.1	484	50.7	253	26.5	52	5.4	3	0.3
June.....	914	170	18.6	420	45.9	241	26.4	82	9.0	1	0.1
July.....	861	149	17.3	420	48.8	232	27.0	58	6.7	2	0.2
August.....	888	157	17.7	431	48.5	223	25.1	76	8.6	1	0.1
September.....	822	129	15.7	388	47.2	227	27.6	76	9.2	2	0.3
October.....	919	145	15.8	469	51.1	248	27.0	54	5.8	3	0.3
November.....	945	152	16.1	464	49.1	247	26.1	76	8.1	6	0.6
December.....	908	159	17.5	409	45.0	261	28.8	75	8.3	4	0.4
Total Year.....	10,969	1,785	16.3	5,412	49.3	2,916	26.6	820	7.5	36	0.3

<u>1956</u>	Total Number	Under \$5,000	% of Total	\$5,000 to \$25,000	% of Total	\$25,000 to \$100,000	% of Total	\$100,000 to \$1,000,000	% of Total	\$1,000,000 and Over	% of Total
January.....	1,048	178	17.0	490	46.7	303	28.9	73	7.0	4	0.4
February.....	1,024	159	15.5	468	45.7	282	27.5	110	10.8	5	0.5
March.....	1,170	184	15.7	594	50.8	303	25.9	86	7.3	3	0.3
April.....	985	137	13.9	489	49.7	279	28.3	76	7.7	4	0.4
May.....	1,164	194	16.7	579	49.7	278	23.9	109	9.4	4	0.3
June.....	1,105	193	17.5	505	45.7	322	29.1	81	7.3	4	0.4
July.....	1,018	175	17.2	486	47.7	302	29.7	50	4.9	5	0.5
August.....	1,101	198	18.0	515	46.8	269	24.4	111	10.1	8	0.7
September.....	932	127	13.6	487	52.3	245	26.3	71	7.6	2	0.2
October.....	1,158	188	16.2	560	48.3	303	26.2	104	9.0	3	0.3
November.....	999	152	15.2	491	49.2	282	28.2	72	7.2	2	0.2
December.....	982	147	15.0	488	49.7	263	26.8	79	8.0	5	0.5
Total Year.....	12,686	2,032	16.0	6,152	48.5	3,431	27.0	1,022	8.1	49	0.4

<u>1957</u>	Total Number	Under \$5,000	% of Total	\$5,000 to \$25,000	% of Total	\$25,000 to \$100,000	% of Total	\$100,000 to \$1,000,000	% of Total	\$1,000,000 and Over	% of Total
January.....	1,148	173	15.0	543	47.3	306	26.7	124	10.8	2	0.2
February.....
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